Case Information

DC-21-09043 | DAVID SAMPLE vs. MICHAEL CLOWER, et al

Case Number Court
DC-21-09043 44th District Court

File Date Case Type

07/13/2021 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT

Judicial Officer
WYSOCKI, ASHLEY

Case Status
OPEN

Party

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Events and Hearings

07/13/2021 NEW CASE FILED (OCA) - CIVIL

07/13/2021 ORIGINAL PETITION ▼

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ISSUE CITATION COMM OF INS OR SOS - MICHAEL CLOWER

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ISSUE CITATION - SUNLAND DISTRIBUTION OF FLORIDA, INC.

07/14/2021 CORRESPONDENCE - LETTER TO FILE ▼

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PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION

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Plaintiff,	9 §	44th
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DISTRIBUTION OF FLORIDA INC, Defendant.	§ §	DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS
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PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE

COMES NOW, DAVID SAMPLE, Plaintiff in the above-entitled and numbered cause of action, complaining of Defendants, MICHAEL CLOWER AND SUNLAND DISTRIBUTION OF FLORIDA INC, and in support thereof would respectfully show the Court as follows:

I. <u>DISCOVERY CONTROL PLAN (LEVEL 2)</u>

1.1 Pursuant to TEX. RULE OF CIV. P. 190.3, the discovery of this case is to be conducted under Level 2 Discovery Control Plan.

II. PARTIES

- 2.1 David R. Sample ("Plaintiff") is a resident of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas.
- 2.2 Michael Clower ("Defendant Clower") is a nonresident of the State of Texas and this suit grows out of a collision or accident in which Defendant Clower was involved while operating a motor vehicle in this state in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 17.062 (a) of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, the Chairman of the Texas Transportation Commission, Tryon D. Lewis, 125 E. 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701-2483 is an agent for service of process on Defendant Clower. Pursuant to Section 17.063, a certified copy of

the process must be served on the Chairman not later than the 20th day prior to the date of the return stated in the process. The chairman is then instructed to mail a copy of the process and notice that the process has been served on the chairman to:

MICHAEL CLOWER 12161 SE 89TH TER BELLVIEW, FL 34420

by registered mail or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. Plaintiff requests a Chairman's Certificate be issued in connection with this service.

2.3 Sunland Distribution of Florida Inc (Defendant "Sunland") is a foreign corporation with its principal offices located in the State of Florida, and is licensed and registered as an interstate motor carrier. Defendant Sunland engaged in business in the State of Texas by allowing its employee, agent, or servant to operate a motor vehicle on the roads and highways of the State of Texas and in so doing he was involved in a motor vehicle collision with Plaintiff in Dallas County, Texas. Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code §§17.041 and 17.042(2). Defendant Sunland filed a form BOC-3 with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration making a blanket designation naming "TRUCK PROCESS AGENTS OF AMERICA, INC" its process agent. Therefore, service of process on Defendant Sunland may be made by serving its process agent: TRUCK PROCESS AGENTS OF AMERICA, INC, C/O INTERNATIONAL BORDER TRUCKING COMPLIANCE SERVICE INC,, 1519 WYOMING, EL PASO, TX 79902.

III. JURISDICTION and VENUE

- 3.1 This Court has jurisdiction in this cause since the damages to Plaintiff are within the jurisdictional limits of this Court.
- 3.2 Venue is proper pursuant to Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code §15.002 because the events giving rise to this suit occurred in Dallas County, Texas.

3.3 All conditions precedent have occurred.

IV. CLAIM FOR RELIEF

4.1 Pursuant to Tex. RULE OF CIV. P. 47(c)(4), Plaintiff's claim for monetary relief is over \$250,000.00 but not more than \$1,000,000.00.

V. FACTS

5.1 On or about September 4, 2019, Plaintiff was driving west on Valentine Street in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas when he stopped behind Defendant Clower, whose vehicle was at a complete stop in the roadway. Suddenly and without warning Defendant Clower reversed his vehicle, colliding with Plaintiff's vehicle. This collision caused severe injuries to Plaintiff.

VI. <u>NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 6.1 On the occasion in question, Defendant Clower operated a vehicle in a negligent manner and violated the duty of care owed to the Plaintiff to exercise ordinary care in the operation of a motor-vehicle, as follows:
 - a. By reversing when unsafe;
 - b. In failing to maintain a proper lookout as a person of ordinary prudence would have maintained under the same or similar circumstances;
 - c. In failing to control the operation of said vehicle;
 - d. In failing to avoid the incident in question;
 - e. In operating the vehicle in an unsafe manner;
 - f. By driving at a speed greater than reasonable and prudent under the circumstances then existing in violations of Tex. Trans. Code § 545.351; and
 - g. Other acts or negligence and/or negligence per se.

- 6.2 The Defendant drove the vehicle at the time and on the occasion in question with willful or wanton disregard for the safety of others, in violation of the laws of the State of Texas, including Tex. Trans. Code §545.401.
- 6.3 Each of the foregoing acts or omissions, whether taken singularly or in any combination, constitutes negligence, gross negligence and was a proximate cause of Plaintiff's injuries and damages listed below. As a result, the Plaintiff is entitled to recover such damages as may be awarded by the trier of fact, including punitive and exemplary damages.

VII. RESPONDEAT SUPERIOR

7.1 At all times material to this lawsuit, Defendant Clower was an employee of Defendant Sunland and was acting within the course and scope of that employment. Consequently Defendant Sunland is vicariously liable to Plaintiff for the negligent and/or negligent per se conduct of Defendant Clower under the doctrine of *respondeat superior*.

VIII. <u>NEGLIGENT HIRING/TRAINING/SUPERVISION/ENTRUSTMENT</u>

- 8.1 Plaintiff would show that said collision made the basis of this lawsuit resulted from the negligence of Defendant Sunland. Such negligent and/or negligent *per se* acts or omission include, but are not limited to the following:
 - a. hiring and/or retaining Defendant Clower, whom it knew or should have known was a reckless or incompetent driver;
 - b. entrusting a vehicle to Defendant Clower, whom it knew or should have known was a reckless or incompetent driver;
 - c. failing to properly investigate Defendant Clower's driving and employment history;
 - d. failing to properly train Defendant Clower;
 - e. failing to properly supervise Defendant Clower's driving activities:

- f. failing to maintain the vehicle involved in the collision in proper working;
- g. failing to properly repair the vehicle involved in the collision;
- h. failing to properly inspect the vehicle involved in the collision in question; and
- i. other acts of negligence and/or negligence per se.
- 8.2 One, some, or all of the foregoing acts and/or omissions or others on the part of Defendant Sunland constituted negligence and/or negligence *per se* and such negligence and/or negligence *per se* was a proximate cause of the occurrence and Plaintiff's injuries and damages.

IX. DAMAGES

- 9.1 As a result of the incident made the basis of this lawsuit described in the preceding paragraphs and the negligence and/or negligence per se of Defendants, Plaintiff sustained significant injuries and damages in the past and will in reasonable probability sustain these damages in the future.
- 9.2 Plaintiff respectfully requests that the trier of fact determine the amount of the damages and losses that he incurred in the past and will reasonably incur in the future, as well as the monetary value of these damages, which include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Physical pain and mental anguish;
 - b. Disfigurement;
 - c. Physical impairment;
 - d. Medical care expenses;
 - e. Loss of earning capacity; and
 - f. Any other out-of-pocket economic losses.

X. CLAIM FOR PREJUDGMENT AND POST-JUDGMENT INTEREST

10.1 Plaintiff claims interest in accordance with Tex. FINANCE CODE §304.001 et seq. and any other applicable law.

XI. REQUESTS FOR DISCLOSURE

11.1 Pursuant to Rule 194, Request is made that each Defendant disclose the information or material described in Tex. Rule of Civ. P. 194.2 (1)-(12).

XII. RULE 193.7 NOTICE

12.1 Pursuant to Tex. Rule of Civ. P. 193.7, Plaintiff gives notice to Defendants that any and all documents produced may be used against the Defendant producing the document at any pretrial proceeding and/or at the trial of this matter without the necessity of authenticating the documents.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Plaintiff prays that Defendants be cited in terms of law to appear and answer herein, that upon final trial and hearing hereof, that Plaintiff recover damages in accordance with the evidence, that Plaintiff recover punitive or exemplary damages, that Plaintiff recover costs of court herein expended, that Plaintiff recover interest to which Plaintiff is justly entitled under the law, and for such other further relief, both general and special, both in law and in equity, to which Plaintiff may be justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

By:

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FORM NO. 3534 CITATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

ESERVE (COH)

To: MICHAEL CLOWER

BY SERVING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION 125 E. 11TH ST.

AUSTIN, TX 78701-2483

GREETINGS:

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you.

In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclosures to the other parties of this suit. These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk. Find out more at TexasLawHelp.org. Your answer should be addressed to the clerk of the 44th District Court at 600 Commerce Street, Dallas Texas, 75202.

Said PLAINTIFF being DAVID SAMPLE

Filed in said Court on the 13th day of July, 2021 against

MICHAEL CLOWER; SUNLAND DISTRIBUTION OF FLORIDA INC.

For suit, said suit being numbered DC-21-09043 the nature of which demand is as follows: Suit On MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT etc.

As shown on said petition REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE a copy of which accompanies this citation. If this citation is not served, it shall be returned unexecuted.

WITNESS: FELICIA PITRE, Clerk of the District Courts of Dallas, County Texas. Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court at office on this the 20th day of July, 2021

ATTEST: FELICIA PITRE Clerk of the District Courts of Dallas, County, Texas

By Carlena Bouligney
CARLENIA BOULIGNY Deputy

CITATION

No.: **DC-21-09043** DAVID SAMPLE Vs. MICHAEL CLOWER, et al

ISSUED ON THIS THE 20TH DAY OF JULY, 2021

> **FELICIA PITRE** Clerk District Courts. Dallas County, Texas

By CARLENIA BOULIGNY, Deputy

Attorney for Plaintiff FELIPE B. LINK LINK & ASSOCIATES 10440 N CENTRAL EXPY STE 950 DALLAS TX 75231 214-214-3001 flink@linklawpc.com

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FELICIA PITRE Clerk District Courts, Dallas County, Texas

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Via: E-File Service 44th Judicial District Court 600 Commerce St. 6th Floor Dallas, Texas 75202

Re: David Sample v Michael Clower and Sunland Distribution of Florida Inc.

Cause Number DC-21-09043

Dear Sir or Madam:

Attached please find the fees to issue the citation for Defendant Michael Clower for the above referenced cause number.

If you have any comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 214-214-3001.

Very truly yours,

LINK & ASSOCIATES

Jana Hempling Paralegal

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STATUS CONFERENCE ORDER

Please be advised that the above-referenced matter is hereby set for a status conference/dismissal hearing at:

9:00 a.m. on September 3, 2021

Failure to appear at this hearing may result in the dismissal of this matter for want of prosecution pursuant to Texas Rules of Civil Procedure 165a and the Court's inherent power.

Signed this 18th day of July, 2021.

JUDGE PRESIDING

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FORM NO. 353-3 - CITATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

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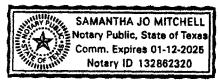
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NO. DC-21-09043

DAVID SAMPLE IN THE DISTRICT COURT § § VS. **44TH JUDICIAL** § MICHAEL CLOWER AND SUNLAND DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS DISTRIBUTION OF FLORIDA, INC.

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

COMES NOW J. Bruce Bugg, Jr., Chairman of the Texas Transportation Commission, and Certifies to the court as follows:

That on July 26, 2021, I was duly served with Citation and copy of Plaintiff's Original Petition and Request for Disclosure in the above styled and numbered cause, which I immediately caused to be forwarded by U.S. Certified Mail, certified number 7017 1000 0000 4277 1421 addressed to Michael Clower, 12161 SE 89th Ter, Bellview, FL 34420 with postage prepaid, return receipt requested;

In witness whereof, this certificate is issued in Austin, Texas, this 26th day of July, 2021.



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MICHAEL CLOWER AND SUNLAND	§	
DISTRIBUTION OF FLORIDA INC.,	§	
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	§	
Defendant.	§	DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS
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DEFENDANT'S ORIGINAL ANSWER

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

COMES NOW Defendant Sunland Distribution of Florida, Inc. ("Defendant"), and files this Original Answer to Plaintiff's Original Petition, and would respectfully show the Court the following:

I. GENERAL DENIAL

Defendant generally denies the allegations contained in Plaintiff's Original Petition, and since they are allegations of fact, Plaintiff should be required to prove the allegations by a preponderance of the evidence in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

II. PRAYER

BASED ON THE FOREGOING, Defendant prays that Plaintiff take nothing by his claims in this suit, for the recovery of Defendant's costs in defending this suit, and for such other and further relief, both general and special, at law and in equity, to which Defendant may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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Defendant.	Š	DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS
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DEFENDANT MICHAEL CLOWER'S ORIGINAL ANSWER

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

COMES NOW Michael Clower ("Defendant"), and files his Original Answer to Plaintiff's Original Petition, and would respectfully show the Court the following:

I. GENERAL DENIAL

Defendant generally denies the allegations contained in Plaintiff's Original Petition, and since they are allegations of fact, Plaintiff should be required to prove the allegations by a preponderance of the evidence in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

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BASED ON THE FOREGOING, Defendant prays that Plaintiff take nothing by his claims in this suit, for the recovery of Defendant's costs in defending this suit, and for such other and further relief, both general and special, at law and in equity, to which Defendant may be entitled.

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